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MINNESOTA BULLETIN NO. 300-4-33

SUBJECT: LTP - TSP FUNDS FOR PRACTICE 784 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Purpose. To transmit TSP Allocation Information.

Expiration Date. September 30, 2004.

Action Requested by August 1, 2004

The following TSP funds are approved for Wastewater and Feedlot Runoff Control (784) technical assistance line items in EQIP contracts. The funds to be included in producer contracts are limited to the NTE rates listed on the TechReg website.

Area 1 – Zero Area 5 - \$82,700 (13 systems)
Area 2 - \$68,000 (8 systems) Area 6 – \$92,500 (7 systems)
Area 3 – Zero Area 7 - \$91,200 (10 systems)

These amounts were based upon the area requests submitted for 784 TSP work. If these funds cannot be used for Practice 784 technical assistance, please notify Tim Koehler as soon as possible so that these limited funds can be reallocated according to statewide priorities.

Technical assistance funds for roof structures are to be used for site plans, and unique individual roof designs only. If a pre-engineered roof structure is used, and construction is performed, certified, and warranted by the manufacturer, only site plan engineering costs are eligible for TSP payment. Actual roof design costs in that case are considered part of the roof cost.

Protracts has been modified to allow multiple fund codes for EQIP contracts. Guidance will be forthcoming soon on how to enter these contracts into Toolkit and Protracts. In addition, allocations will be added to the respective Area TA budgets in Protracts so that funds can be allocated to the appropriate counties. For now, field offices should contact the identified producers listed with this bulletin and formulate planning documents for entry into Toolkit and then Protracts.

/s/

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